

Exercise (10 minutes): process creation and synchronization

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#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/wait.h> // wait()
#include <unistd.h> // fork()

void A() { printf("A completed \n"); }
void B() { printf("B completed \n"); }
void C() { printf("C completed \n"); }
void D() { printf("D completed \n"); }
void E() { printf("E completed \n"); }
```

```
int main()
{
    int status;
    pid_t ...
    .
    .
    .
    return 0;
}
```

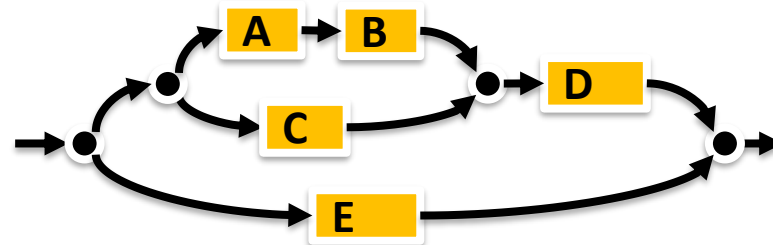
Hint: to wait for a certain process to complete, use `waitpid(pid, &status, 0);`
pid (should have a `pid_t` type) and is the ID of the process to wait for.

To fork a new process:

`pid_t pid = fork();`

If `pid == 0`, it is the child process, otherwise the parent

Write a pseudo-code to run functions A, B, C, D, and E on **three concurrent processes** such that the execution of these functions follows the diagram below (arrows show **precedence constraints**):



- C can run concurrently with A, B, and E but must be completed before D.
- B must be executed after A and before D.

- Build the solution together
- Use only three processes max

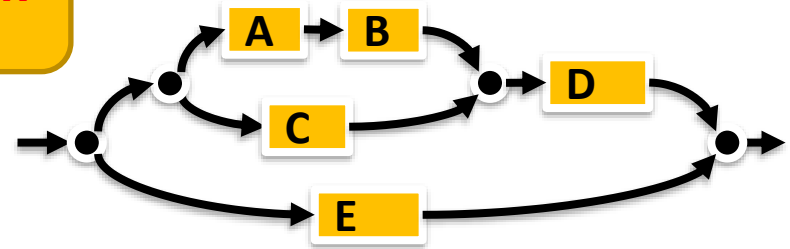
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!!! A fully correct solution would require to **check for error codes**

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int main()
{
    int status;
    pid_t idC, idE;
    idE = fork();
    if(idE > 0)
    {
        idC = fork();
        if(idC > 0)
        {
            A();
            B();
            waitpid(idC, &status, 0); // for idC to join
            D();
            wait(NULL);
            printf("workload processed.\n");
        }
        else
        {
            C();
        }
    }
    else
    {
        E();
    }
    return 0;
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